



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

ATTY. DOCKET NUMBER SWO-0004 SERIAL NUMBER 10/673,068 FILED 9-26-2003
FIRST INVENTOR: Hea-Chun LEE TITLE BACK LIGHT ASSEMBLY, LIQUID
CRYSTAL DISPLAY APPARATUS AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF
EXAMINER Nguyen, Dung T. ART UNIT 2871

1. ☒ Applicant submits herewith a copy of (a) attached form PTO-1449, which lists all patents, publications, applications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office; (b) a legible copy of each document required by 37 C.F.R. §1.98(b)(2).
2. ☐ Applicant herein apprises the Patent Office of references cited in a parent U.S. application from which this application obtains the benefit of an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. The Serial Number of the parent application is U.S. Application _____ filed _____ and entitled _____.
The publications cited therein are listed on attached Form PTO-1449. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) copies of the listed publications are not required. ☐ Additional parent patent applications are listed on an attached sheet.
3. ☒ In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), Applicant hereby certifies that for each reference not in English (check at least one box below):
☐ A copy of a translation of one or more non-English document, or portion thereof, is provided herewith;
☒ A concise explanation is (check at least one box below):
☒ provided in the accompanying foreign or international search report; ☐ incorporated into the specification; and/or ☒ provided herewith.

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10. ☒ In the event the Commissioner of Patents deems that any additional fee is required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 in connection with this application, Applicant's attorneys authorize that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.
11. Consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested.

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